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## HAY PRICES AGAIN EDGE HIGHER

The **Index of Prices Received** by farmers and ranchers in **Wyoming** for agriculture commodities sold during January was 118 percent of the 1990-1992 base. The index was up 12 points (11 percent) from December but down 18 points (13 percent) from January 2006. The seasonal changes in the mix of commodities farmers sell also affect the overall indexes

The **All Livestock Index**, at 115, was up 13 points (13 percent) from December but down 28 points (20 percent) from January 2006. Livestock prices were down from last month except for sheep and lambs. All livestock prices were down from this time last year. Cow prices averaged 10 cents below December and \$8.00 lower than January 2006. Steer and heifer prices were down \$3.00 from last month and down \$20.00 from last year's price. Calf prices were down \$1.00 from last month and \$33.00 lower than January 2006. Sheep prices were \$1.00 above December but \$15.80 below last year's price. Lamb prices were \$1.00 above last month but \$2.00 lower than last year at this time.

The **All Crops Index** was up 3 points (2 percent) from December and up 21 points (19 percent) from last January. All crop prices were higher than last month except wheat prices dropped slightly and oats were unchanged. Prices were at or above last year for all crops. Corn was up 1 cent from December and up 5 cents from January 2006. Wheat was down 7 cents from December, but up \$1.30 from last year. Dry beans were up 30 cents from December and up 3.00 from last year. Alfalfa hay was \$101.00 per ton. Other hay, at \$98.00 per ton, was also up \$4.00 from December and up \$26.00 from last year. Hay prices were the highest since June 2003.

**United States:** The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in January, at 124 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 3 points (2 percent) from December. The Crop Index is up 4 points (3 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 3 points (3 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for corn, oranges, broilers, and eggs. Lower prices were received for cattle, tomatoes, calves, and grapefruit.

The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased average marketings of broilers, cotton, soybeans, and rice offset decreased marketings of oranges, tobacco, eggs, and cattle.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 11 points (10 percent) from January 2006. The Food Commodities Index, at 123, increased 1 point (1 percent) from last month and 5 points (4 percent) from January 2006.

## PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS AND RANCHERS, JANUARY 2006, DECEMBER 2006, AND JANUARY 15, 2007 U.S. PRICES AS PERCENT OF PARITY

COMMODITY	UNIT	WYOMING			UNITED STATES			
		JAN 2006	DEC 2006	JAN 15 2007	JAN 2006	DEC 2006	JAN 15 2007	% OF PARITY
		Dollars			Dollars			Percent
LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS								
Cows	100#	49.50	41.60	41.50	47.30	42.20	43.80	—
Steers & Heifers	100#	119.00	102.00	99.00	102.00	89.30	90.30	—
Calves	100#	153.00	121.00	120.00	141.00	115.00	115.00	39%
Sheep	100#	50.80	34.00	35.00	47.70	35.30	1/	—
Lambs	100#	106.00	103.00	104.00	96.10	93.20	1/	—
CROPS								
Corn	Bu.	2.50	2.54	2.55	2.00	3.01	3.23	42%
Oats	Bu.	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.73	1.97	2.12	49%
Feed Barley	Bu.	2/	2/	2/	1.94	2.79	2.93	—
All Wheat	Bu.	3.40	4.77	4.70	3.52	4.51	4.50	43%
Dry Beans	100#	19.00	21.70	22.00	19.20	21.60	22.70	41%
Alfalfa Hay (Baled)	Ton	76.00	97.00	101.00	96.40	112.00	115.00	—
Other Hay (Baled)	Ton	72.00	94.00	98.00	84.30	99.30	102.00	—

1/Mid-month prices discontinued January 1996.

2/Insufficient sales to establish a price.

**NOTE:** Entire month price is a revision of previous mid-month price except for hay which is always a mid-month price.

## INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS & RANCHERS, WYOMING & U.S.

1990-92 = 100	WYOMING			UNITED STATES		
	JAN 2006	DEC 2006	JAN 15 2007	JAN 2006	DEC 2006	JAN 15 2007
<b>All Commodities</b>	136	106	118	113	121	124
<b>All Crops</b>	110	128	131	108	128	132
<b>All Livestock and Products</b>	143	102	115	118	113	116

## WYOMING CATTLE INVENTORY UNCHANGED FROM LAST YEAR; U.S. UP SLIGHTLY

**WYOMING:** The inventory of all **cattle and calves** on Wyoming ranches and farms on January 1, 2007 totaled 1.43 million head. This is unchanged from last year, but up 6 percent from 1.35 million head on January 1, 2005.

The number of **beef cows** that have calved was up nearly 1 percent from last year to 763,000 head, compared with 758,000 head a year earlier. **Beef cow replacement heifers** increased 3 percent from a year ago to a total of 180,000 on January 1. The number of **milk cows** was 7,000 head, unchanged from the previous year. There were 45,000 bulls on hand January 1, 2007, unchanged from a year ago.

The total inventory of **steers, other heifers not intended for breeding, and calves under 500 pounds** was 430,000 head, down 2 percent from a year earlier. Steers totaled 190,000 head, down 10,000 head from a year earlier; other heifers totaled 145,000 down 10,000; and calves totaled 95,000, up 10,000.

There were 90,000 head of cattle in Wyoming being fed on January 1 to go directly to slaughter, up 10,000 head from last year.

The 2006 **calf crop** in Wyoming totaled 750,000 head, up 1 percent or 10,000 head from 2005.

The **number of operations** in Wyoming with **cattle** during 2006 totaled 5,800, unchanged from 2005. The number of **Beef cow operations** was also unchanged from 2005, at 4,800. Wyoming had 250 operators with **Milk cows** in both 2005 and 2006.

**UNITED STATES:** All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2007, totaled 97.0 million head, slightly above the 96.7 million on January 1, 2006.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 42.0 million, were down slightly from the 42.1 million on January 1, 2006. **Beef cows**, at 32.9 million, were down slightly from January 1, 2006. **Milk cows**, at 9.13 million, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2006.

Other class estimates on January 1, 2007 and the change from January 1, 2006, were as follows: **all heifers** 500 pounds and over, 20.1 million, up 1 percent; **beef replacement heifers**, 5.88 million, down slightly; **milk replacement heifers**, 4.31 million, up 1 percent; **other heifers**, 9.90 million, up 1 percent; **steers** weighing 500 pounds and over, 17.2 million, up 2 percent; **bulls** weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.22 million, down 2 percent; **calves** under 500 pounds, 15.5 million, down slightly.

**Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter in all feedlots totaled 14.3 million, up 1 percent.

The 2006 **calf crop** was estimated at 37.6 million head, down slightly from 2005.

The **number of operations** with **cattle** totaled 971,400 during 2006, down 1 percent from 2005 and 2 percent below 2004. **Beef cow operations** in 2006 were down 1 percent from 2005 and 2 percent below 2004. **Milk cow operations** were 4 percent below last year and 8 percent below two years ago.

### ALL CATTLE AND CALVES, JANUARY 1, 2006-07 WYOMING AND U.S.

Class	Wyoming			United States		
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006
	Thousand Head		Percent	Thousand Head		Percent
All Cattle and Calves	1,430	1,430	100%	96,701.5	97,002.9	100%
All Cows and Heifers that have Calved	765	770	101%	42,056.4	42,023.2	100%
Beef Cows	758	763	101%	32,993.5	32,894.2	100%
Milk Cows	7	7	100%	9,062.9	9,129.0	101%
Heifers 500 Pounds & Over	335	330	99%	19,983.9	20,086.1	101%
For Beef Cow Replacement	175	180	103%	5,903.5	5,877.4	100%
For Milk Cow Replacement	5	5	100%	4,275.0	4,309.9	101%
Other Heifers	155	145	94%	9,805.4	9,898.8	101%
Steers 500 Pounds & Over	200	190	95%	16,933.1	17,222.0	102%
Bulls 500 Pounds & Over	45	45	100%	2,262.8	2,215.4	98%
Heifers, Steers & Bulls Under 500 Pounds	85	95	112%	15,465.3	15,456.2	100%

### CALF CROP 2005-06 WYOMING AND U.S.

Area	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
Wyoming	740	750	101%
United States	37,575.1	37,566.7	100%

## U.S. Cattle on Feed Up 1 Percent

**Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 12.0 million head on January 1, 2007. The inventory was 1 percent above January 1, 2006 and 6 percent above January 1, 2005. This is the highest January 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. The inventory included 7.57 million steers and steer calves, up slightly from the previous year. This group accounted for 63 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.30 million head, up 4 percent from January 1, 2006.

**Placements** in feedlots during December totaled 1.71 million, 9 percent below 2005 and 7 percent below 2004. Net placements were 1.63 million. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 470,000, 600-699 pounds were 504,000, 700-799 pounds were 420,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 320,000.

**Marketings** of fed cattle during December totaled 1.63 million, 5 percent below 2005 and 9 percent below 2004. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of December since the series began in 1996.

**Other disappearance** totaled 88,000 during December, 3 percent below 2005 and 4 percent below 2004.

### CATTLE ON FEED: 1000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, SELECTED STATES AND UNITED STATES, JAN. 1, 2006-2007 1/

State	On Feed Dec 1, 2006	Place- ments Dec 2006	Market- ings Dec 2006	Other Disapp. Dec 2006	On Feed Jan 1, 2007	On Feed Jan 1, 2006
Thousand Head						
CO	1,120	135	150	5	1,100	1,080
KS	2,550	410	390	30	2,540	2,500
NE	2,510	390	350	10	2,540	2,430
TX	2,900	370	385	15	2,870	2,920
Oth Sts.	2,893	409	350	28	2,924	2,874
U.S.	11,973	1,714	1,625	88	11,974	11,804

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

## U.S. Red Meat Production Down From Previous Month

**Commercial red meat** production in *Wyoming* during December 2006 totaled 500,000 pounds. This was unchanged from both the previous month and December 2005. Commercial red meat production excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Six hundred **cattle** were slaughtered in December, down 100 head from last year. Total live weight was 732,000 pounds, down 3 percent from December 2005. Average live weight of cattle slaughtered was 1,157 pounds, down 6 pounds from last year.

A total of 400 **hogs and pigs** were processed, up 100 head from last December. Total live weight, at 97,000 pounds, was up 29 percent from December 2005. Average live weight of hogs slaughtered was 276 pounds, up 9 pounds from last year.

One hundred **sheep and lambs** were processed in December, unchanged from December 2005. Live weight totaled 17,000 pounds, up 13 percent from last year. Average live weight of sheep and lambs slaughtered was 130 pounds, down 10 pounds from a year earlier.

**Red Meat production** from January to December 2006 totaled 6.0 million pounds, down 9 percent from the same period last year.

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The 2006 **calf crop** was estimated at 37.6 million head, down slightly from 2005.

The **number of operations** with **cattle** totaled 971,400 during 2006, down 1 percent from 2005 and 2 percent below 2004. **Beef cow operations** in 2006 were down 1 percent from 2005 and 2 percent below 2004. **Milk cow operations** were 4 percent below last year and 8 percent below two years ago.

### COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, DECEMBER 2005 AND 2006, Wyoming and U.S.

SPECIES	WYOMING					UNITED STATES				
	Number of Head		Total Liveweight			Number of Head		Total Liveweight		
	Dec. 2005	Dec. 2006	Dec. 2005	Dec. 2006	% 06/05	Dec. 2005	Dec. 2006	Dec. 2005	Dec. 2006	% 06/05
	1,000 Pounds					1,000 Pounds				
Cattle	700	600	757	732	97%	2,667,100	2,609,100	3,415,148	3,382,844	99%
Hogs	300	400	75	97	129%	9,234,500	8,883,100	2,510,536	2,418,256	96%
Sheep & Lambs	100	100	15	17	113%	230,800	223,700	32,899	30,456	93%

## U.S. FARM NUMBERS DOWN SLIGHTLY; INCREASE IN LARGEST SALES CLASS

The number of farms and ranches in **Wyoming** in 2006 is estimated at 9,100. This is down 100 farms from 2005. A farm is defined as "any establishment from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold or would normally be sold during the year." The number of Wyoming farms has remained steady since 1992.

Total land in farms and ranches was 34,400,000 acres, unchanged from 2005, but down 40,000 acres or 0.1 percent from 2004 and 2003 and down from 34,500,000 in 2002 and 2001. Wyoming ranks first in the Nation in average size of farms and ranches at 3,780 acres. Arizona ranks second at 2,610 acres. In Wyoming, there were 3,600 farms (40 percent) with less than \$10,000 of agricultural sales in 2006, unchanged from last 2 years and down 100 farms from both 2003 and 2002. This group accounted for 3,300,000 acres or 10 percent of the total land.

**UNITED STATES:** The number of farms in the United States in 2006 is estimated at 2.09 million, 0.4 percent fewer than in 2005. Total land in farms, at 932.4 million acres, decreased 780 thousand acres, or 0.1 percent, from 2005. The average farm size was 446 acres during 2006, an increase of one acre from the previous year. The decline in the number of farms and land in farms reflects a continuing consolidation in farming operations and diversion of agricultural land to nonagricultural uses.

Farm numbers declined in the \$1,000-\$9,999 and the \$100,000 - \$249,999 sales classes. Farm numbers rose slightly in the \$10,000 - \$99,999 and the two largest sales classes. The decline in the smallest sales class is most likely due to normal attrition, such as retirements, and rising incomes. The changes within the other sales classes were a result of operations moving to larger sales classes by consolidation and expansion. Because of rising incomes, many farms and ranches near the top of their sales class in 2005 moved into the next higher sales class in 2006 without adding land or otherwise expanding their operations.

### NUMBER OF FARMS AND RANCHES AND LAND, SELECTED STATES AND U.S. 2004-2006 1/

State	Number of Farms & Ranches			Land in Farms & Ranches		
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006
<i>1,000 acres</i>						
CO	30,900	30,500	30,700	30,900	30,700	30,700
ID	25,000	25,000	25,000	11,800	11,800	11,800
MT	28,000	28,000	28,100	60,100	60,100	60,100
NE	48,300	48,000	47,600	45,800	45,700	45,700
SD	31,600	31,400	31,300	43,800	43,700	43,700
UT	15,300	15,200	15,100	11,600	11,600	11,600
<b>WY</b>	<b>9,200</b>	<b>9,200</b>	<b>9,100</b>	<b>34,440</b>	<b>34,400</b>	<b>34,400</b>
U.S.	2,112,970	2,098,690	2,089,790	936,295	933,210	932,430

1/ A "farm" is defined as any establishment from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold or would be sold during the year.

### GRAZING RATES RISE

The average rate for grazing cattle in **Wyoming** on privately-owned, non-irrigated land in 2006 was \$15.10 per animal unit month (AUM), according to data collected on the January 1 cattle survey. The AUM rate was up 30 cents from the previous year. Average rates for other methods of payment also were higher in 2006. The cow-calf rate rose 30 cents to \$17.30 and the per head rate also rose 30 cents to \$15.80.

### AVERAGE GRAZING RATES ON PRIVATELY OWNED, NON-IRRIGATED LAND, SELECTED STATES

State	AUM 1/ 2/		Cow-Calf		Per Head	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
Dollars per Month						
CO	14.50	14.50	16.00	16.00	14.30	15.00
ID	12.50	12.80	14.60	15.00	13.00	13.50
MT	16.20	16.20	18.70	18.70	17.30	18.30
NE	22.50	24.00	27.50	28.50	25.00	26.00
SD	18.40	20.30	21.90	24.00	19.50	21.00
UT	11.60	11.70	13.60	14.60	13.00	13.50
<b>WY</b>	<b>14.80</b>	<b>15.10</b>	<b>17.00</b>	<b>17.30</b>	<b>15.50</b>	<b>15.80</b>

1/An AUM is the forage required to sustain one cow for one month

2/Includes animal unit plus cow-calf rates. Cow-calf rate converted to AUM using cow-calf=1.2 AUM's.

## WYOMING'S FIRST SHEEP AND LAMB INVENTORY INCREASE SINCE 1997

On January 1, 2007, Wyoming operators owned 460,000 **sheep and lambs**, up 2 percent from January 1, 2006, according to Vito Wagner with the Wyoming Field Office of USDA NASS. Wyoming had 900 **operations with sheep and lambs** in 2006, unchanged from 2005. The number of **breeding sheep and lambs** was 350,000 head and the number of **market sheep and lambs** on January 1 was 110,000 head.

Of the total breeding sheep, 280,000 head were **ewes one year old and older**, up 1 percent from January 1, 2006. There were 10,000 **rams one year old and older**, unchanged for the past two years. **Replacement lambs** for breeding totaled 60,000, down 3 percent from 2006.

Of the 110,000 **market sheep and lambs**, 2,000 were **market sheep**, and 108,000 were **market lambs**. By weight groups, the number of market lambs was: under 65 pounds - 2,000 (2% of the total), 65 to 84 pounds - 4,000 (4%), 85 to 105 pounds - 45,000 (41%), and over 105 pounds - 57,000 (53%).

The **2006 lamb crop** in Wyoming at 310,000 head docked or branded is up 3 percent from the record low of 300,000 head docked or branded in 2004 and 2005.

**UNITED STATES:** All **sheep and lamb** inventory in the United States on January 1, 2007, totaled 6.19 million head, down 1 percent from 2006, but still 1 percent above 2005. There were 69,090 **sheep and lamb operations** in 2006, up 1 percent from 68,330 operations in 2005. After two consecutive year to year increases, inventory growth was hampered by extremely dry weather in the Southwestern part of the United States.

**Breeding sheep** inventory decreased to 4.62 million head on January 1, 2007, down slightly from 4.64 million head on January 1, 2006. **Ewes one year old and older**, at 3.71 million head, were 1 percent above last year.

**Market sheep and lambs** on January 1, 2007, totaled 1.57 million head, down 2 percent from January 1, 2006. Lambs comprised 94 percent of the total market inventory. Twenty-five percent were lambs under 65 pounds, 14 percent were 65 - 84 pounds, 25 percent were 85 - 105 pounds, and 36 percent were over 105 pounds. Market sheep comprised the remaining 6 percent of market inventory.

The **2006 lamb crop** of 4.09 million head, was down 1 percent from 2005. The 2006 lambing rate was 112 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on January 1, 2006, down 3 percent from 2005.

### ALL SHEEP AND LAMBS, JANUARY 1, 2006-07 WYOMING AND U.S.

Class	Wyoming			United States		
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006
	Thousand Head		Percent	Thousand Head		Percent
All Sheep and Lambs	450	460	102%	6,230.0	6,185.0	99%
Market Sheep and Lambs	100	110	110%	1,590.0	1,565.0	98%
Breeding Sheep	350	350	100%	4,640.0	4,620.0	100%
Ewes 1 yr. & Over	278	280	101%	3,661.0	3,706.0	101%
Rams 1 yr. & Over	10	10	100%	196.0	195.0	99%
Replacement Lambs	62	60	97%	783.0	719.0	92%

### LAMB CROP 2005-06, WYOMING AND U.S.

Area	Breeding Ewes 1 Yr. & Over January 1		Lambs Saved Per 100 Ewes 1 Yr. & Over January 1		Lambs Saved 1/		
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
	Thousand Head		Percent		Thousand Head		Percent
Wyoming	278	278	108	112	300	310	103%
United States	3,572.5	3,661.0	115	112	4,117	4,085.0	99%

1/Lamb crop defined as lambs born in the Eastern States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States.

## WYOMING WOOL PRODUCTION OFF 3 PERCENT

**Wyoming** sheep produced 3.55 million pounds of **wool** from 370,000 sheep and lamb shorn during 2005 for a total value of \$3.27 million. Total value was down 7 percent from the previous year, as total production was up slightly but average wool prices were down 8 cents to 92 cents per pound. Wyoming was second in the nation in wool production behind Texas.

**UNITED STATES: Shorn wool production** in the United States during 2006 was 36.0 million pounds, down 3 percent from 2005. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 4.85 million head, down 4 percent from 2005. The average price paid for wool sold in 2006 was \$0.68 per pound for a total value of 24.4 million dollars, down 7 percent from 26.3 million dollars in 2005 and down 12 percent from 29.9 million dollars in 2004.

### SHORN WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE, SELECTED STATES, 2005 AND 2006

State	Sheep & Lambs Shorn		Weight Per Fleece		Wool Production		Price Per Lb.		Value 1/	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 Head		Pounds		1,000 Pounds		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
<b>WYOMING</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>3,530</b>	<b>3,550</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>.92</b>	<b>3,530</b>	<b>3,266</b>
Colorado	420	380	6.3	6.8	2,650	2,600	.63	.75	1,670	1,950
Montana	260	255	9.6	9.2	2,490	2,350	.98	.91	2,440	2,139
S. Dakota	330	335	7.8	7.2	2,582	2,415	.60	.63	1,549	1,521
Texas	800	700	6.9	7.0	5,550	4,900	.96	.91	5,328	4,459
Utah	235	260	9.3	9.0	2,180	2,350	.71	.71	1,548	1,669
<b>U.S.</b>	<b>5,072</b>	<b>4,852</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>37,232</b>	<b>36,019</b>	<b>.71</b>	<b>.68</b>	<b>26,272</b>	<b>24,414</b>

1/ Annual production multiplied by average price per pound.

## U.S. GOAT INVENTORY UP 3 PERCENT

On January 1, 2007, there were 5,800 milk, meat, and other goats on Wyoming farms and ranches, compared with 5,600 head in 2006 and 5,900 in 2005. The number of **milk goats** was 1,800 in 2007, up 13 percent from the 1,600 in 2006, but down 24 percent from the 2,100 in 2005. The number of **meat goats and other goats** on January 1 was 4,000 head, unchanged from 2006 and 5 percent more than the 3,800 head on January 1, 2005.

**All goat inventory** in the United States on January 1, 2007, totaled 2.93 million head, up 3 percent from 2006. **Breeding goat inventory** totaled 2.44 million head up 3 percent from 2006. **All market goats and kids** totaled 494,000 head, up 4 percent from a year ago.

On January 1, 2007 **meat and all other goats** totaled 2.40 million head, up 5 percent from 2006. **Milk goat** inventory increased 2 percent to 296,000 head while **angora goats** were down 8 percent totaling 238,000 head. The 2006 **kid crop** totaled 1.92 million head for all goats, up 4 percent from 2005.

**Mohair production** in the United States during 2006 was 1.35 million pounds. **Goats and kids clipped** totaled 216,000 head. Average weight per clip was 6.30 pounds. **Mohair price** was \$3.68 per pound with a value of 4.98 million dollars.

### GOATS BY CLASS, JANUARY 1, 2006-2007, WYOMING AND U.S.

Class	Wyoming			United States		
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2005	2006	2007 as % of 2006
Angora	1/	1/		260,000	238,000	92%
Milk	1,600	1,800	113%	290,000	296,000	102%
Meat & Other	4,000	4,000	100%	2,287,000	2,400,000	105%
All Goats	1/	1/		2,837,000	2,934,000	103%

1/ Not Published.